### FIGHT WATERFRONT ITEMS

and Mexicans are Hostile.

Marshal Daniels Says Americans Comeric's String of Groundings in the Rivers.

MEXICANS ARE VERY JEALOUS SHIPS THAT PASS OUTWARD

Business Deals and Can Hold Their Own in Gun Play-Oiling Up Colts,

SAN FRANCISCO, August 18 .- B. F. Daniels, United States Marshal at Tuson, A. T., who is in the city, foresecpopulation have not been getting along amicably during the last few months. and there is a good deal of friction. Threats have been made by the Mexi-

ments. Daniels is a fine type of the old frontiersman, bronzed by the desert sun, ington vesterday, and until approved the and straight as an arrow. In addition government does not assume any obliga to this he has the manner of a man who tions as to the craft, but in spite of this has opinions and is not afraid to express them.

there will be uncomfortable develop-

threatening dire things if they remain. and the Americans are preparing for

"During the last few weeks a large sent there through the express com- she will be taken down to Knapp's game they will find the Americans ready channel to the sea will be inaugurated. to take a hand in it. More than likely that they have men like Sam Houston months. to contend with, and the first thing they know they will be minus a province,

ready for the fun. They will be over the border at the first whiff of powder at work for some time."-Oregonian, and eager for a thrill. Things have been rather quiet on the border, dance halls and faro being about the only amusements of those fevered souls, and they are thirsty for adventure. The rumor new life in the population."

RAIN QUENCHES FIRES.

SANTIAGO, August 18 .- The earthinterrupted for some time and as yet will not reduce the number of passenof the damage done in the province. A running from Portland to San Francisco, few fires broke out, but these were as he has always made it a point to isthe violence of the shocks,

Americans Have Beaten Them Out In Excursions Yesterday and Today-Tropic Bird and Sequoia Arrive Down-Dredger Columbia is Leased to Government.

> Yesterday's Oregonian contains the following cheerful item of news:

"All question over the use of the Port trouble along the Mexican border. The of Portland dredge Columbia in dredgbetwen Knapp's Crossing and the sea has been settled by the signing of the contract papers by Captain A. L. Pease and John Driscoll for the Port Commission, and Colonel S. W. Roessler for the cans that, unless the Americans leave, United States Engineers. The compensation is fixed at \$250 a day. The signed papers were forwarded to the chief of the Engineers' Department at Washthe work of improving the shoals along the lower river will not be delayed, as "The Mexicans down across the bor- the Port of Portland Commission has order bear the American no love," he said. dered the dredge into action on their own "They have posted signs in many places account and will keep her so employed warning them to leave the country and until the government assumes charge.

"The Columbia ceased work on the The Americans beat them in business channel in front of the Inman, Poulsen and are able to hold their own in gun- Mill vesterday, and her crew is engaged play. The Mexicans threaten revenge, in making some minor repairs to her machinery which have been found necessary before sending the vessel on her long task of dredging the Columbia amount of firearms have been smuggled River. This work will take the better across the border, and more are being part of four days, and when completed panies. When the Mexicans start the Crossing and the work of deepening the

"While the United States Engineers they will get as good as they give, if have found the pathway to the sea to be not more. The Americans down there in a satisfactory condition, there are a are somewhat of the same mind as number of sandbars which have acthose who settled in Texas originally. cumulated in the past six months, and Events are happening just about as they it is on these bars that the dredger is happened then. The Mexicans may find to be employed during the next six

"Knapps's Bar, where the Columbia will commence work, is about six miles "There is a stir all along the frontier. below the mouth of the Willamette, and and the 'bad men' of Arizona and Texas from this point the dredge will work are oiling up their Colts and getting down the Columbia River to Astoria, where the dredge W. S. Ladd has been

. P. Schwerin, general manager of the Harriman steamship lines, has forwarded to Agent J. H. Dewson, at Portland. a copy of the recent Federal law which of the doings across the border has put goes into effect on August 28 making it illegal for steamship or railroad companies to issue free passes to people going from one state to another. There is a long list of exceptions to the ruleall employes of the companies, surquake lasted three and a half minutes. gens, officers of charitable institutions. All telegraph and telephone lines were etc. Mr. Dewson says that the new law there is no news regarding the extent gers on any of the steamers of his line promptly extinguished by heavy show- sue no "deadhead" tickets. It is thought ers after the earthquake. Practically that the new statute will have the half the population passed the night in effect of increasing the earnings of the the squares or avenues of the city. The companies operating steamboats on the seismograph was rendered useless by Columbia river. Every season they have been accustomed to issue hundreds of

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Americans in Mexico and the native ing out the shoals of the Columbia River passes for people to go to the beach in easily, however, but soon struck pretty

The steamer J. B. Stetson went to sea yesterday afternoon with a big load of lumber for California,

The schooner Carrier Dove was among the get-aways for San Francisco yesterday. She was lumber laden for San

The steamer T. J. Potter came down at 7:30 last evening with a big northshore excursion that closely approximated her legal limit of passengers,

terday morning, lumber loaded, and San Francisco bound, and went to sea late: in the day.

The barkentine Tropic Bird and the chooner Sequoia were due to arrive down the river last night, lumber laden for the Bay City.

The steamer Lurline came down last evening in god season and went back to Portland with the following people registered: W. A. Power, Miss Mary Blaine, Miss ose Daveneau, Mrs. Jack Moran, Miss Allie Williams,

The North Star, the steam tender of the Alaska Fisherman's Packing Company, is expected to arrive from the facnorth by Friday next, and, perhaps, a day or two sooner. When she comes in the world will know all about the Alaksa pack, She will be followed in due course by the fleet.

1:30 o'clock p. m. yesterday and as she l approached the Callender pier, the strains of the magnificent band of 40 pieces from Decorah, enlivened the Astoria waterfront. She brought down 76 people; and will be down again today with a big excursion crowd.

The steamer Capital City made the run from The Dalles to Portland Thursday afternon in six hours, which Engineer Fred Smith declares to be a recordbreaking passage, if the time lost in making a number of landings were deducted. The steamer was bound for her home port to be converted into an oil burner. She had a big supply of coal in her bunkers. As there would be no further use or it, the engineer declares that he concluded to burn as much as possible on the down trip, and that is the reason the craft made such a showing. The steamer will be out of commission about three weeks while the oil plant is being installed,

During the past few days eight cases of liquor have been stolen from the hold of the French ship Laennec, at Portland, which arrived a few days ago with a general cargo from Antwerp. Captain Gueric believes he has a clew which will lead to the arrest of the thieves. The freight from the craft is being discharged at the California & Oregon dock, on the East Side of the river. It is consigned to W. P. Fuller & Co., members of which firm are also trying to run down the thieves. It is believed that more than one man is mixed up in the robbery. The general impression is that the goods were taken by some one addicted to heavy drink. Working upon this theory the consignees and officers of the ship expect to catch the culprits when under the influence of the stolen liquor.

The steamship Comeric, loaded with lumber for Port Pirie, Australia, has had a bad run of luck since she began to load at Portland. They put her immense cargo aboard of her at a point where they must have known she would bed herself in the mud, which she did and was compelled to await a high tide to ease herself out, a delay of three days. Yesterday morning she started down the Columbia and went ashore on Swan Island while sheering to starboard to make room for the Lurline which had whistled to pass her. She pulled off

heavily on Slaughter's Bar and had to await the noon flood. She got down here at 8 o'clock last night and will make it to sea today. She should have loaded at Astoria and avoided those groundings, and perhaps will, the next time she enters here.

#### THIRTY KILLED AT SANTIAGO.

SANTIAGO, DE CHILE, August 18 .-It is reported from Valparaiso that 5000 deaths resulted from the earthquake there. Details are incomplete as there is no direct communication be-The Haleyon was in the channel yes- tween Valparaiso and Santiago. There were 30 deaths here. The value of the property destroyed here will reach \$22,-

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